**Drinking water schemes in Uttaranchal**

4938. SHRI HARISH RAWAT : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) The schemes sanctioned for providing pure drinking water in Rural/ Backwards/snowbound areas of Uttaranchal during the period of its inception till date.

(b) Year-wise amount released to this State by the Central Government during the above period; and

(c) The amount spent by the State Government on their own during this period ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M. K. PATIL ) : (a) to (c) Drinking water supply is a State Subject. The Government of India supplements the efforts of the State by providing financial assistance under the Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP). Powers have been delegated to the States to Plan, Sanction and implement individual rural drinking water supply schemes.

The year-wise amount released to Uttaranchal under ARWSP is as under :—

(Rupees in Crores)

| Year | Amount released |
|---|---|
| 2000-2001 | 23.04 |
| 2001-2002 | 34.48 |
| 2002-2003 | 36.83 |

Expenditure reported by the State Government under State Sector Programme for Rural Water Supply is as under :—

(Rupees in Crores)

| Year | Expenditure Reported |
|---|---|
| 2000-2001 | 55.02 |
| 2001-2002 | 72.60 |
| 2002-2003 | 26.50 (upto Nov., 2002) |